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11 Arrested for DUI Last Weekend

Four DUI checkpoints scheduled just before Thanksgiving

Dover –Delaware law enforcement officers removed another 11 individuals from Delaware roadways for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol and/or drugs last weekend as the DUI campaign *Checkpoint Strikeforce* continues. During the 20th week of the campaign the New Castle County DUI Task Force and DSP Troop 3 each conducted a checkpoint and Millsboro PD & Clayton PD each conducted DUI saturation patrols. This brings the total DUI arrests for the 10th annual *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign to 256.

In addition to the 11 DUI arrests last weekend, officers also cited 5 individuals for seat belt violations, apprehended 6 wanted individuals, made 6 drug arrests, made 4 felony arrests, made 1 underage drinking arrests, and issued 54 citations for various other traffic violations.

Checkpoint Strikeforce continues with 4 sobriety checkpoints scheduled for this weekend as follows:

Friday November 18th – Newark (NcCo DUI Task Force) – Checkpoint
Rehoboth (Rehoboth PD)- Checkpoint
Millsboro (DSP Troop 4) – Checkpoint

Saturday November 19th – Glasgow- (DSP Troop 2) - Checkpoint

Currently 25 people have lost their lives in alcohol related crashes in 2011 compared to 34 at this time last year.

Now in its tenth year, “Checkpoint Strikeforce” is a multi-state crackdown on impaired drivers coordinated by the Delaware Office of Highway Safety. The campaign involves weekly sobriety checkpoints and patrols through New Year’s Eve and stepped up enforcement during peak holiday times such as Labor Day, Halloween and the month of December.

“Checkpoint Strikeforce” is one of the major highway safety initiatives targeting violators of Delaware’s traffic laws. Traffic deaths kill and injure Delawareans nearly twice as often as violent crimes. Follow campaign updates on Twitter at www.twitter.com/DEHighwaySafe or Facebook at www.facebook.com/ArriveAliveDE or on our website at www.ohs.delaware.gov.

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